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Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its seventh session

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 59/209 of 20 December 2004 on a smooth transition strategy for countries graduating from the list of least developed countries,

Recalling also its resolution 2004/66 of 5 November 2004,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Committee for Development Policy;[1]

2. *Endorses* the request of the Committee for Development Policy to be informed by the Secretary-General during the transition period on the implementation of the transition strategy of graduating countries and on their development progress[2] as laid out in General Assembly resolution 59/209 in order to enable the Committee to carry out the function assigned to it in paragraph 12 of that resolution;

3. *Takes note* of the report on the work of the Committee for Development Policy, contained in chapter IV of its report,[3] regarding general principles and the refinement of criteria with a view to achieving the objective of equal treatment of countries in similar situations;

4. *Requests* the Committee for Development Policy to continue developing a consistent set of criteria that can be applied to all recommendations regarding the inclusion and graduation from the list of least developed countries.

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[1] *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 33* (E/2005/33).
[2] Ibid., chap. I, sect. A, recommendation 1.
[3] Ibid., chap. IV, sects. B and C.

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